

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1 1. (Original) A baby holding device, comprising:
2 a support structure comprising a base that is adapted to be placed onto a support
3 surface and a frame angularly positioned relative to the base; and
4 a seat coupled to the frame that is adapted to hold a baby;
5 wherein the seat includes a generally curved outer padded section having a medial
6 region that is adapted to receive the baby's head and a pair of arms extending from the medial
7 region, and wherein the padded section defines an inner well section that is adapted to receive
8 the baby's torso.

1 2. (Original) A device as in claim 1, wherein the arms each include a
2 rounded end, and wherein the ends generally face each other and are adapted to assist in
3 cushioning the weight of the baby.

1 3. (Original) A device as in claim 1, further comprising a securing system
2 that is configured to hold the baby within the seat.

1 4. (Original) A device as in claim 3, wherein the securing system comprises
2 a center holding strap that is coupled to the seat and is configured to be placed between the
3 baby's legs and at least one securing strap extending from the holding strap that is configured to
4 wrap about the baby's torso and be connected to a seat strap that is coupled to the seat.

1 5. (Original) A device as in claim 4, wherein the center holding strap is
2 coupled to the seat at a location to permit the baby's feet to hang from seat.

1 6. (Original) A device as in claim 1, wherein the frame comprises a pair of
2 inclined sections and at least one curved section.

1 7. (Original) A device as in claim 6, wherein the curved section generally
2 follows an outer periphery of the padded section to define a generally open interior of the frame.

1 8. (Original) A device as in claim 6, wherein the inclined sections each
2 include a curved portion that connects to the base.

1 9. (Original) A device as in claim 1, wherein the medial region has a height
2 in the range from about 1 inch to about 6 inches and a width in the range from about 8 inches to
3 about 16 inches.

1 10. (Original) A device as in claim 1, wherein the arms have a height in the
2 range from about 1 inch to about 6 inches, a width in the range from about 6 inches to about 12
3 inches, and a length in the range from about 10 inches to about 20 inches.

1 11. (Original) A device as in claim 1, wherein the inner well section has a
2 width in the range from about 4 inches to about 12 inches and a length in the range from about 6
3 inches to about 14 inches.

1 12. (Original) A device as in claim 1, wherein the seat comprises a fabric.

1 13. (Original) A device as in claim 1, wherein the padded section comprises a
2 fill material.

1 14. (Original) A device as in claim 1, wherein the frame is positioned at an
2 angle in the range from about 20° to about 40° relative to the base.

1 15. (Original) A method for holding a bay, the method comprising:
2 providing a baby seat comprising a support structure comprising a base that rests
3 upon a support surface and a frame angularly positioned relative to the base, and a seat coupled
4 too the frame, wherein the seat has a generally curved outer padded section that includes a
5 medial region and two arms that define a sell section; and

6 placing a baby onto the seat, with the baby's torso resting in the well section and
7 being cushioned by ends of the arms, and with the baby's head resting on the medial region.

1 16. (Original) A method as in claim 15, further comprising applying a
2 downward force on the frame to cause the seat to move in an up and down motion.

1 17. (Original) A method as in claim 15, further comprising strapping the baby
2 to the seat.

1 18. (Original) A method as in claim 15, wherein the baby is positioned in the
2 seat such that the baby's legs hang down past the seat.

1 19. (Original) A method as in claim 15, further comprising generally
2 preventing the baby from rolling side to side using the arms.

1 20. (Original) A baby holding device comprising:
2 a pillow having a medial region and two opposing arms extending from the
3 medial region that define an inner well region;
4 a securing system operably coupled to the pillow, wherein the securing system
5 comprises a center holding strap that is configured to be placed between the baby's legs so as to
6 extend over at least a portion of the baby's torso and be operably coupled to the opposing arms to
7 hold the baby within the well region.

1 21. (Original) A device as in claim 20, wherein the securing system further
2 comprises a side strap extending from each arm, wherein the side straps include connectors that
3 are connectable to mating connectors on the center holding strap.

1 22. (Original) A device as in claim 21, wherein the connectors comprise
2 buckle connectors.

1 23. (Original) A device as in claim 20, wherein the securing system further
2 comprises a seat that is disposed across the well region.

1 24. (Original) A device as in claim 23, wherein the seat comprises a fabric
2 coupled to the arms and the medial region.

1 25. (Original) A device as in claim 23, wherein the center strap is coupled to
2 the seat at a location to permit the baby's feet to hang from the seat.

1 26. (Original) A device as in claim 20, further comprising a hood operably
2 coupled to the pillow.

1 27. (Original) A device as in claim 26, wherein the hood is foldable.

1 28. (Original) A device as in claim 20, wherein the medial region has a height
2 in the range from about 1 inches to about 10 inches and a width in the range from about 4 inches
3 to about 10 inches.

1 29. (Original) A device as in claim 20, wherein the arms have a height in the
2 range from about 1 inches to about 6 inches, a width in the range from about 4 inches to about 10
3 inches, and a length in the range from about 10 inches to about 20 inches.

1 30. (Original) A device as in claim 20, wherein the well region has a width in
2 the range from about 4 inches to about 12 inches and a length in the range from about 4 inches to
3 about 12 inches.

1 31. (Original) A device as in claim 20, wherein the pillow further comprises a
2 fabric shell encasing a fill material.

1 32. (Original) A method for holding a bay, the method comprising:
2 providing a baby holding device comprising a pillow having a medial region and
3 two opposing arms extending from the medial region that define an inner well region, and a
4 securing system operably coupled to the pillow, wherein the securing system comprises a center
5 holding strap that is operably coupled to the pillow;

6 placing a baby's torso into the well region, with the baby's torso being cushioned
7 by ends of the arms, and with the baby's head resting on the medial region;
8 placing the center holding strap between the baby's legs so as to extend over at
9 least a portion of the baby's torso; and
10 securing the center holding strap to the arms.

1 33. (Original) A method as in claim 32, further comprising placing a hood
2 over the baby.

1 34. (Original) A method as in claim 32, wherein the center holding strap is
2 secured to the arms by coupling the center holding strap to side straps extending from the arms.

1 35. (Original) A method as in claim 32, wherein the securing system further
2 comprises a seat that is disposed across the well region, and wherein the baby is placed onto the
3 seat.

Please add new claims 36-41 as follows:

1 36. (New) A baby holding device comprising:
2 a pillow having a medial region and two opposing arms extending from the
3 medial region that define an inner well region;
4 a securing system operably coupled to the medial region of the pillow, wherein
5 the securing system comprises a center holding strap that is configured to be placed around at
6 least a portion of the baby's torso and wherein the center holding strap has a free end that is
7 configured to be operably secured back to the pillow.

1 37. (New) A device as in claim 36, wherein the medial region has a height in
2 the range from about 1 inches to about 10 inches and a width in the range from about 4 inches to
3 about 10 inches.

1 38. (New) A device as in claim 36, wherein the arms have a height in the
2 range from about 1 inches to about 6 inches, a width in the range from about 4 inches to about 10
3 inches, and a length in the range from about 10 inches to about 20 inches.

1 39. (New) A device as in claim 36, wherein the well region has a width in the
2 range from about 4 inches to about 12 inches and a length in the range from about 4 inches to
3 about 12 inches.

1 40. (New) A device as in claim 36, wherein the pillow further comprises a
2 fabric shell encasing a fill material.

1 41. (New) A method for holding a bay, the method comprising:
2 providing a baby holding device comprising a pillow having a medial region and
3 two opposing arms extending from the medial region that define an inner well region, and a
4 securing system operably coupled to the pillow, wherein the securing system comprises a center
5 holding strap that is operably coupled to the medial region of the pillow;
6 placing a baby onto the pillow so that at least a portion of the baby rests on the
7 medial region;
8 placing the center holding strap around at least a portion of the baby's torso; and
9 securing the center holding strap to the pillow.